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G. GREY, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, the third day of February, 1866.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "The Volunteer Act, 1865," power is given to the Governor in Council, from time to time, to make Regulations respecting the enrolment, discipline, training, exercise and accoutrements, clothing, equipment, conveyance, pay, rations, lodging, and pensions of the Volunteer Force, or any part thereof, and to declare what is requisite to entitle a Volunteer to be deemed an efficient Volunteer for the purposes of the said Act, and generally for the more effectual carrying out of the said Act, and to appoint penalties not exceeding five pounds for each offence, for any breach of the provisions of the said Act, or of such Regulations:

Now therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance of the said recited power and authority, doth by this present Order, by and with the consent of the Executive Council, make the Rules and Regulations specified in the Schedule hereinafter written, and doth appoint the penalties for breaches thereof respectively, as therein set forth.

SCHEDULE

REGULATIONS FOR THE NEW ZEALAND VOLUNTEER FORCE.

1. The members of a Volunteer Corps are either enrolled or honorary.
2. Enrolled members are persons of every grade, whose names are duly entered for service in the muster roll of a corps.
3. Honorary members are persons who contribute to the funds of a corps, but are not enrolled for service.

4. The Volunteer Force is composed of the following arms—

- Light Horse Volunteers
- Artillery ditto
- Engineer ditto
- Rifle ditto
- Naval ditto.

5. The following Tables contain the authorized establishment of each corps of the different arms of which the Volunteer Force is composed, and no corps will be recognized which does not contain the *minimum* number of enrolled members.

Light Horse and Artillery Volunteers.

TROOP OR SUB-DIVISION.	Captain.	Lieutenant.	Cornet, or 2nd Lieutenant.	Color Sergeant, or Troop Sergeant-Major.	Sergeants.	Trumpeter.	Corporals.	Farrier.	Privates.	Total Enrolled.
Maximum	1	1	1	1	3	1	4	1	65	78
Minimum .....	...	1	1	1	2	...	2	...	20	27

For a squadron or battery of two troops, or two sub-divisions, an Assistant Surgeon will be allowed; and for a regiment of two squadrons or two batteries, one Field Officer, one Adjutant, one Surgeon, and one Veterinary Surgeon will be allowed.

Engineer and Rifle Volunteers.

FOR A COMPANY.	Captain.	Lieutenant.	Ensign.	Color-Sergeant.	Sergeants.	Corporals.	Bugler.	Privates.	Total Enrolled.
Maximum	1	1	1	1	4	4	1	87	100
Minimum .....	...	1	1	1	2	2	...	30	37

Two or more companies may be formed into one corps under the command of a Captain-Commandant, and such corps will be entitled to an Assistant Surgeon.

A battalion, or regiment, of four or more companies, will be allowed, in addition to the establishment due to each company, a Field Officer, Surgeon, Assistant Surgeon, Adjutant, Sergeant-Major, and Quartermaster-Sergeant.

Naval Volunteers.

FOR A COMPANY.	Captain.	1st Lieutenant.	2nd Lieutenant.	Petty Officers.	Privates.	Total Enrolled.
Maximum	1	1	1	8	89	100
Minimum	1	1	4	30	36	

Two or more Companies may be formed into one corps, under the command of a Captain Commandant.

6. Bandsmen may be returned on the strength of a corps, and be in excess of the numbers fixed as the maximum entitled to receive capitation allowance.

7. If a corps (enrolled under previous Acts) be in excess of the maximum strength allowed by these regulations, and tenders its services under "The Volunteer Act, 1865," the reduction to the authorized strength need not take place at once; but vacancies must not be filled up until the strength of such corps is reduced within the maximum.

FORMATION OF CORPS.

8. Persons wishing to form Volunteer Corps should place themselves in communication with the Officer commanding the Militia district, who will submit the offer of their services for the consideration of the Government. If there be no Officer appointed to command the district, they will communicate direct with the Defence Office.

9. In considering the offer of the services of a new corps, regard will be had to the number and description of the corps already existing in the same district, to the circumstances of the locality, and to the limits imposed by the amount placed at the disposal of Government by the General Assembly in the Volunteer vote. It is therefore desirable that in forwarding such offers of service it should be stated—

- a. The circumstances which may appear to render it advisable to sanction the formation of the proposed corps.
- b. The place proposed for the head quarters of the corps.
- c. The number of persons who are prepared to enrol themselves.
- d. *For Artillery*—Where it is proposed that the Artillery practice of the corps shall be carried on, and whether such practice will interfere with the safety or convenience of the public.
For other Arms—That the use of a rifle practice ground may be secured; the situation of the proposed ground; the extent of range afforded—which must not be less than 300 yards; and what arrangements are required to secure the safety and convenience of the public.
For Naval Volunteers it should, in addition, be stated where, and by what means, it is proposed to carry on evolutions afloat.
- e. That a safe storehouse and magazine for any arms and ammunition which may be issued can be provided.

PRECEDENCE.

10. In the Volunteer Force, the different arms rank in the following order, viz.—

Light Horse Volunteers.	
Artillery	ditto
Engineer	ditto
Rifle	ditto
Naval	ditto.

11. In every district the relative precedence of the different corps of any one arm is determined by the date on which the Governor has accepted the offer of service of each such corps.

12. The relative precedence of Officers in the entire Volunteer Force is determined solely by the rank and date of their commissions in that force.

13. The relative precedence of Officers of different corps, holding commissions of the same rank and date, is determined by the relative precedence of the corps to which they respectively belong.

14. The relative precedence of Officers of one corps bearing commissions of the same rank and date, is determined by the order in which the appointments are inserted in the *Gazette*.

15. The relative precedence of Medical Officers in the Volunteer Force is regulated by the same rule as that prescribed for medical officers in Her Majesty's Army.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS.

16. Applications for the appointment of Commissioned Officers must be made in accordance with clause XIII. of "The Volunteer Act, 1865," and forwarded through the Adjutants of the Permanent Staff, and Officers commanding districts.

17. Every Officer is required to possess a competent knowledge of his duties, and a certificate of such competence, signed by the Officer commanding the district, or Adjutant of the Permanent Staff, will in each case be required before he is commissioned. He may however, while qualifying himself for the duties of his rank, receive an acting appointment, and, while holding such, shall exercise the same authority as though he were permanently appointed, provided always that no person by virtue of such acting appointment shall be competent to sit on any Court Martial or Court of Inquiry; and that no person shall hold an acting appointment for a longer period than six months.

18. All proposed resignations are to be submitted for the Governor's acceptance by the Officer commanding the district, or in his absence by the Adjutant of the Permanent Staff.

19. When any officer resigns his commission, and at the same time receives another, not involving promotion, he is allowed to retain the date of his former commission.

20. A fee of one guinea is to be paid by every Officer on receiving his commission into the general fund of the corps to which he is appointed, and is to be appropriated in such manner as the Finance Committee of such corps may direct.

21. When a corps consists of more than one troop, battery, or company, and is not under the command of a Field Officer, the senior Captain is allowed to bear the designation "Captain Commandant." The title does not confer any additional rank, and no separate commission will be issued on account of it.

22. The appointment of an Honorary Colonel to a corps under the command of a Field Officer is permitted.

23. The appointment of Honorary Chaplains is allowed.

24. The appointment of Honorary Assistant Surgeons is allowed to every corps which is not entitled to a medical officer of substantive rank.

25. The appointment of an Honorary Veterinary

Surgeon is allowed to every corps of Light Horse which is not entitled to a Veterinary Surgeon.

26. No Officer holding an honorary commission can, in virtue of it, take precedence of any Officer holding a substantive commission of the same rank.

27. Every Officer is expected to give a proper attendance at the drills and parades of his corps, and any Officer who does not attend the number of drills prescribed for the enrolled Volunteers to qualify them for certificates of efficiency, will not be allowed to retain his commission, unless it shall be represented by the Officer commanding the district that there are special reasons for a relaxation of this regulation.

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS.

28. The Non-commissioned Officers of a corps are appointed by the Commanding Officer from among the enrolled members.

29. Lance-Sergeants and Lance-Corporals may be appointed by the Commanding Officer.

30. A Non-commissioned Officer may be reduced by the Inspector, or (with the consent in writing of the Officer commanding the district) by the Commanding Officer of his corps, for any sufficient cause.

ENROLLED MEMBERS.

31. No person below the age of 17 is to be enrolled in a Volunteer Corps.

32. Boys of 14 years of age and upwards, may, if the authority of the Government be first obtained, be enrolled for the purpose of being trained as bandmen, trumpeters, or buglers.

33. Apprentices are not to be enrolled without consent in writing of their masters.

34. No member of a Volunteer Corps is to be enrolled in another corps until he has legally ceased to be a member of the former corps. This does not interfere with transfers from one corps to another.

35. Persons dismissed from a Volunteer Corps for misconduct are not eligible for enrolment in another corps.

36. The Commanding Officer of a corps is to give to any Volunteer who voluntarily quits it, and who has complied with the conditions contained in clause XVI. of "The Volunteer Act, 1865," a certificate of discharge in the form prescribed in Appendix A, when requested to do so by such Volunteer.

37. Enrolled members are classified as "Efficients" or "Non-efficients."

38. In order to be reckoned as "efficient," an enrolled member must have fulfilled the conditions hereinafter described.

39. An efficient member is authorized to wear on the right arm, immediately above the cuff of the sleeve, a distinctive badge consisting of a ring of silver lace $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch wide, of the pattern worn by the corps, and an additional similar ring for each consecutive year in which he is an efficient member.

40. All enrolled members who do not fulfil the conditions hereinafter referred to are reckoned as non-efficients.

41. Supernumerary members are members enrolled beyond the maximum establishment of the corps. They cannot be enrolled without the special authority of the Government.

EFFICIENT MEMBERS.

42. Commissioned Officers of a Volunteer Corps are to be deemed "efficient" members.

43. A Volunteer shall be deemed an efficient Volunteer if he obtains a certificate showing that he has fulfilled the requirements and possesses the qualifications stated in or upon such one of the annexed forms of certificate as may be applicable in his case, and not otherwise. Provided always that every Volunteer who has been enrolled for a period

of at least eighteen months immediately prior to the 31st December, 1865, and whose services are continued under "The Volunteer Act, 1865," shall, for all the purposes of the said Act, and of these regulations, be deemed to be an efficient Volunteer up to the 30th June, 1866, without the aforesaid certificate.

44. Every such certificate shall be granted as soon as may be after the 30th day of June in every year, and shall bear date the 1st day of July, and shall be evidence of the efficiency of the Volunteer to whom it is granted during the year ending the 30th day of June next following its date. A record of every such certificate must be kept by the Paymaster, to enable him to furnish a correct return of the number of efficient members entitled to the capitation allowance.

45. In the course of each year ending 30th day of June the Adjutant of the Permanent Staff shall select from time to time such Volunteers as in his opinion have fulfilled the requirements and possess the qualifications aforesaid, and submit their names to the Officer commanding the district with a view to their obtaining certificates of efficiency.

46. If the Adjutant refuses to recommend any Volunteer for a certificate, and the Volunteer considers himself aggrieved thereby, the Volunteer may appeal direct to the Officer commanding the district.

47. If the Officer commanding the district concurs in the Adjutant's recommendation or refusal to recommend, he shall either sign the certificate or else approve the withholding of it, as the case may be, and his decision shall be final.

48. When the situation and circumstances of a Rifle Volunteer Corps are such as, in the opinion of the Officer commanding the district, to create serious obstacles to the fulfilment by the Volunteers belonging to the corps of the requirements of attendance at battalion drill such number of times within twelve months as is prescribed upon the annexed form of certificate, the Officer commanding the district shall have the power to reduce the number of battalion drills, and to increase proportionately the number of company drills requisite to entitle a Volunteer belonging to the corps to a certificate of efficiency.

49. When the Officer inspecting a Volunteer Corps at the annual inspection reports that the corps is not proficient in drill and instruction to his satisfaction, then, notwithstanding anything hereinbefore provided, the certificates of efficiency may be withheld for the ensuing year from all Volunteers belonging to such corps.

50. In case any alterations in the terms of any of the annexed forms of certificate should from time to time appear expedient the same may be made under authority of the Commander-in-chief.

51. Terms used in these Regulations, or in or upon the annexed forms of certificate, have the same meaning as they have when used in "The Volunteer Act, 1865."

52. The term "Recruit," used upon the annexed forms of Certificate, means a Volunteer who has never been returned as an efficient in an annual return of his corps. It does not however include a Volunteer who has been an enrolled member of a Volunteer Corps during the twelve months ending 31st December, 1865.

FORMS OF CERTIFICATES OF EFFICIENCY.

(Form A.)

For Light Horse Volunteer Corps.

We hereby certify:

1. That A.B., No. _____ was enrolled in the Light Horse Volunteer Corps on the _____ 18__.
2. That he is provided with an efficient horse and horse furniture for the service.

3. That he attended during the *a* months ending the 30th June, 18*b*, drills, ordered by the Commanding Officer.

4. That he rides well, and possesses a competent knowledge of the cavalry sword exercise, and dismounted and mounted troop and squadron drill, as laid down in the Cavalry Regulations.

5. That he was present at the last annual inspection of the corps *c*

Commanding Officer,
Adjutant.

Certificate confirmed:

Inspector.

Head Quarters, 1st July, 18

(Form B.)

For Artillery Volunteer Corps.

We hereby certify:

1. That A.B., No. was enrolled in the Artillery Volunteer Corps on the 18

2. That he attended during the *d* months ending the 30th June, 18*e*, drills, ordered by the Commanding Officer.

3. That he possesses a competent knowledge of squad and company drill (including the manual and platoon exercises *f*), and also of gun drill.

4. That he attended the gun practice of his battery, and possesses a competent knowledge of the general duties of a gunner.

5. That he was present at the last annual inspection of the corps *g*

Commanding Officer,
Adjutant.

Certificate confirmed:

Inspector.

Head Quarters, 1st July, 18

(Form C.)

For Engineer Volunteer Corps.

We hereby certify:

1. That A.B., No. was enrolled in the Engineer Volunteer Corps on the day of 18

2. That he attended during the *h* months ending 30th day of June, 18*i*, drills, ordered by the Commanding Officer.

3. That he possesses a competent knowledge of squad and company drill, including the manual and platoon exercises as laid down in "The Field Exercises of Infantry."

4. That he possesses a competent knowledge of the musketry drill laid down in the Musketry Regulations for Her Majesty's Army.

5. That he has been properly instructed in sapping, mining, and the mode of making gabions and fascines.

6. That he was present at the last annual inspection of the corps *j*

Commanding Officer,
Adjutant,

Certificate confirmed:

Inspector.

Head Quarters, 1st July, 18

a For recruits, eighteen months; for others, twelve months.

b For recruits, sixteen squad or troop drills; for others, twelve squad or troop drills, three at least of which have been drills of the whole corps.

c If absent, it must be so stated, and also whether with the leave of the Commanding Officer, or through sickness, duly certified.

d For recruits, eighteen months; for others, twelve months.

e For recruits, thirty drills, of which twenty-four gun drills; for others, twelve gun drills.

f Required only from corps that are armed with the Artillery or breach-loading carbine.

g If absent, it must be so stated, and also whether with the leave of the Commanding Officer, or through sickness, duly certified.

h For recruits, eighteen months; for others, twelve months.

i For recruits, thirty drills; for others, twelve drills.

j If absent, it must be so stated, and also whether with the leave of the Commanding Officer, or through sickness, duly certified.

(Form D.)

For Rifle Volunteer Corps.

We hereby certify:

1. That A.B., No. was enrolled in the Rifle Volunteer Corps on the 18

2. That he attended during the *a* months ending 30th day of June, 18*b*, drills ordered by the Commanding Officer.

3. That he possess a competent knowledge of squad and company drill, including the manual and platoon exercises, and skirmishing as a company as laid down in the Field Exercises of Infantry.

4. That he possesses a competent knowledge of the preliminary musketry drill, laid down in the Musketry Regulations for Her Majesty's Army.

5. That he was present at the last semi-annual inspection of the corps *c*

Commanding Officer,
Adjutant.

Certificate confirmed:

Inspector.

Head Quarters, 1st July, 18

(Form E.)

For Naval Volunteers.

We hereby certify:

1. That A.B., No. was enrolled in the Naval Volunteers on the 18

2. That he attended during the *d* months ending the 30th June, 18*e*, drills, ordered by the Commanding Officer.

3. That he possesses a competent knowledge of squad and company drill (including the manual and platoon exercises *f*), and also of gun drill.

4. That he attended the gun practice of his battery and possesses a competent knowledge of the general duties of a gunner.

5. That he possesses a competent knowledge of the management of a boat either by sailing or rowing.

6. That he was present at the last annual inspection of the corps *g*

Commanding Officer,
Adjutant.

Certificate confirmed:

Inspector.

Head Quarters, 1st July, 18

53. A drill to count for certificate of efficiency must have lasted at least one hour and a half from the time of falling in to the time of dismissal.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

54. The number of Honorary Members attached to any corps is not limited, and such members are not included in the muster roll of the corps to which they are attached.

55. They are not subject to military discipline, nor allowed to interfere with the military duties of the corps; but they are permitted to wear its uniform.

a For recruits, eighteen months; for others, twelve months.

b For recruits, thirty squad, company, or battalion drills, or instruction in musketry; for others twelve drills, of which six battalion and six company drills.

c If absent, it must be so stated, and also whether with the leave of the Commanding Officer, or through sickness, duly certified.

d For recruits, eighteen months; for others, twelve months.

e For recruits, thirty drills, of which twenty-four gun drills, for others twelve drills.

f Required only from corps that are armed with the Artillery or breach-loading carbine.

g If absent, it must be stated, and also whether with the leave of the Commanding Officer, or through sickness, duly certified.

Note.—Naval Volunteers, will, when practicable, be inspected by an Officer who is or has been in the service of Her Majesty's Navy.

56. They are not liable to be assembled as Volunteers for actual service.

57. An honorary member is not exempt from enrolment or service in the New Zealand Militia; but if as a militiaman he should at any time be called out for actual service, and at the same time the Volunteer Corps of which he is an honorary member is also called out for actual service, he may at his option serve with the Volunteer Corps.

58. Arms are not supplied by Government to honorary members of a Volunteer Corps.

RULES.

59. In order to give legal force to the rules proposed by a Volunteer Corps for the management of its affairs, they must be submitted through the Commanding Officer of the district, and by him forwarded for the approval of the Governor.

60. A model set of Rules is given in Appendix B. for the guidance of corps; but other sets of Rules will not necessarily be objected to because drawn up in a different manner.

61. Rules of Volunteer Corps which are to be forwarded for submission to the Governor must be transmitted in duplicate—one copy being for retention in the Defence Office, the other to be returned to the corps.

COURTS OF INQUIRY.

62. A Court of Inquiry is not a judicial body: it has no power to administer an oath. It is to be considered as a Board of which the Commanding Officer of a district or an Officer in command of a corps, may make use to assist him in arriving at a correct conclusion on any subject upon which it may be expedient for him to institute an inquiry.

63. If it be found necessary to cause the conduct of an officer to be investigated by a Court of Inquiry, the Commander-in-chief or the Inspector or the Officer commanding the district can alone convene the Court, which in such a case must be composed exclusively of officers of the Militia or Volunteer Force.

64. The duties of a Court of Inquiry depend on the instructions which the convening authority may think proper to give. It may either be employed in collecting and arranging evidence, or it may in addition be directed to give an opinion as to the facts established by that evidence; but it has no power to pronounce any judgment as to the course to be taken by the convening authority in dealing with these facts.

65. When facts connected with the conduct of an individual are submitted to the investigation of a Court of Inquiry it is necessary that the instructions for the guidance of the Court should be sufficiently explicit as regards matters, names, dates, and places, to convey clearly to the Court the nature of the subject into which it is appointed to inquire, and also to enable the person whose conduct is called in question to know what he has to answer.

66. It rests with the authority who orders the assembly of a Court of Inquiry to decide whether it shall be open or closed.

67. All evidence taken by a Court of Inquiry is to be recorded as nearly as possible in the words of the witnesses, and in the order in which it is received.

68. The proceedings when closed are to be signed by the president and members, after which they are to be forwarded by the president to the convening authority.

69. A Court of Inquiry may be re-assembled as often as the convening authority may deem necessary; and on every occasion of its meeting, it is competent to receive and record new evidence.

INSPECTION PARADES.

70. The Commander-in-chief, may, once in each calendar month, order a parade of any Volunteer Corps for the inspection of arms, and any Officer or Volunteer who shall absent himself from such parade without permission, shall be liable to be at once dismissed from his corps, or to pay a fine of one pound, which shall be recovered and applied as provided in sections 37 and 34 of "The Volunteer Act, 1865."

71. The Inspector may once in each year order a parade of any Volunteer Corps for inspection, and any Officer or Volunteer who shall absent himself from such parade without permission of the Inspector shall be liable to be at once dismissed from his corps, or to pay a fine of five pounds, which shall be recovered and applied as provided in sections 37 and 34 of "The Volunteer Act, 1865."

ASSEMBLIES OF VOLUNTEER CORPS.

72. Volunteer Corps are not to assemble under arms for any purpose unconnected with military parade, drill, or rifle practice, except with the consent of the Government.

73. When corps of any arm or arms, exceeding in the aggregate 200 men, wish to assemble together for drill, the consent of the Government (applied for by the several Commanding Officers through the Officer commanding the district), must be first obtained. If the assembly is to take place in a different district to that to which the corps belongs, the previous consent of the Officer commanding such district must first have been obtained.

74. If it is intended that any manoeuvres, other than those of an ordinary field day, should be performed, a statement of the nature of them must accompany the application.

75. The command of the brigade will devolve upon the senior Officer present.

76. If an inspecting Officer should be appointed by the Governor or Commander-in-chief, he will superintend the movements, and afterwards send in a report, but he will not take the command unless specially ordered to do so.

77. When Volunteers belonging to one or more corps are brought together under arms at rifle shooting matches, or on other occasions connected with rifle practice, the senior Officer present is to be considered as in command of all the Volunteers upon the ground, and although his position in this respect does not involve any authority for his interference in the arrangements of the meeting, yet he is held responsible for the due maintenance of order and discipline among the Volunteers under arms.

78. When corps of any arm or arms wish to obtain instruction in camp duties, the consent of the Government (applied for by the several Commanding Officers through the Officer commanding the district) must be first obtained. A statement, giving the place, date of formation, duration, and probable number of Volunteers, must accompany the application. If the camp is to be formed in a different district to that to which the corps belong, the previous consent of the Officer commanding such district must first have been obtained.

ARMS, ACCOUTREMENTS, AND AMMUNITION.

79. Arms and accoutrements will be supplied to all the enrolled members of a corps except the Commissioned Officers thereof.

80. Ammunition in the following Annual proportions, to be reckoned from the 1st July in each year, is allowed to Volunteer Corps of the several arms (*vide* Appendices C. and D.):—

	Gratis.			Allowed to be Purchased.		
	Ball.	Blank.	Caps.	Ball.	Blank.	Caps.
LIGHT HORSE.						
For every enrolled member—	70	10	98	150	...	165
ARTILLERY AND NAVAL.						
<i>For Guns.</i>						
* Per Battery ... { Shot	100	30	...	...	...	...
Shell	25					
* Per Sub-division ... { Shot	60	20	...	...	...	...
Shell	15					
* Per Section ... { Shot	40	10	...	...	...	...
Shell	10					
<i>For Small Arms.</i>						
* For every enrolled member—	70	10	98	150	...	165
ENGINEER AND RIFLE.						
For every enrolled member—	110	20	163	150	...	165

CLOTHING.

81. Volunteer Corps may obtain at cost price from the Government the materials for their uniforms, requisitions for which may be made out in any one of the Forms given in Appendices E. F. and F. F. These requisitions are to contain the full demand of each corps for the ensuing year, so as to avoid the inconvenience attending supplemental requisitions; and each corps will be charged with and held responsible for the full amount of such requisition.

DRESS REGULATIONS.

82. The following General Rules must be adhered to:—

a. Gold lace is not to be worn by any of the Colonial Forces.

b. The distinctions in uniform and appointments which are prescribed in Her Majesty's Regular Service to denote the rank of the wearer, should be observed strictly by Volunteers of the various grades, as far as they are applicable to the Volunteer Force.

STAFF.

83. *Inspector*—The same as Inspector of Volunteers in England, viz., as Deputy Adjutant-General. *Vide* page 24 "Dress Regulations for the Army, 1864."

Officer commanding District—The same as Colonel on the Staff, with exceptions according to rank. *Vide* page 18 "Dress Regulations for the Army, 1864."

Adjutants of Permanent Staff—The same as Sub-Inspector of Militia, with exceptions according to rank. *Vide* page 34 "Dress Regulations for the Army, 1864."

Staff Non-commissioned Officers—Blue tunic, white facings; trousers, with red stripe $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide; forage cap—French peak, white cloth band $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide.

Drill Instructors—Same as Staff Sergeants.

84. As the force should at all times be prepared for actual service, it is recommended that every Volunteer should be provided with the under-mentioned kit—

a. For a member of a Light Horse Volunteer Corps—

- Valise or saddle bag
- Cloak of the pattern approved for the corps
- One holdall, containing knife, fork, spoon, comb, brush, &c.
- One towel, soap
- One tin grease
- One mess tin and cover
- Corn bag

* To be issued on the demand of the Officer commanding Artillery or Naval Volunteers.

Horse-brush and curry-comb

Horse picker

Water sponge

Bottle of oil.

b. For a member of an Artillery, Engineer or Rifle Volunteer Corps—

Knapsack

Great-coat or cloak of the pattern approved for the corps

One holdall, containing knife, fork, spoon, brush, comb, &c.

One towel, soap

One tin grease

One mess tin and cover.

85. Commissioned Officers and Sergeants alone are permitted to wear side arms when off duty, and then only the authorized weapons of their respective ranks.

STORES.

86. All Stores which are supplied by Government for the use of a Volunteer Corps, will be issued through the Officer commanding such corps, who will be accountable for the same, and will be held responsible that the arms and accoutrements are at all times kept clean and serviceable, and that they are returned into store, when required, in good order and condition, fair wear and tear excepted. (*Vide* Appendix G.)

87. In corps of Artillery Volunteers, the Non-commissioned Officers attached as instructors are to act under the orders of the Adjutant of the Permanent Staff as custodians of the guns, gun ammunition, and Artillery stores.

88. The locks of the rifles, when in use, should be taken to pieces and thoroughly cleaned and oiled at least once in every three months by properly qualified persons. In wet weather, or after firing, the rifles should invariably be cleaned immediately after parade.

89. Volunteers must not, under any circumstances, tamper with their rifles; and any rifles which, on inspection, may be found to have had their locks or any other parts improperly altered, will be at once returned into store, and repaired at the expense of the corps.

90. A scale of charges for loss or damage of arms, accoutrements, &c., the price of ammunition issued for practice, and the price which will be charged for any service ammunition made away with or lost through neglect, will be found at the end of the Appendices.

RIFLE PRACTICE.

91. The rifle practice ground of a Volunteer Corps must afford a range of at least 300 yards; but it is desirable that the range should extend to 900 yards.

92. None but Non-commissioned Officers or experienced Volunteers are to act as Markers at Rifle Ranges. The practice of employing boys in that capacity must be prohibited.

93. The Enfield rifle and breech-loading Carbine having been constructed solely with a view to being used with Government ammunition, such ammunition only must be used.

94. A Volunteer cannot wear any badge denoting proficiency in rifle practice without authority, which is to be obtained through the Adjutant of the Permanent Staff, whose recommendation is in every case to be accompanied by the Returns given in Appendices H. I. and J.—duly certified by himself, and countersigned by the Commanding Officer.

95. A Volunteer is permitted to wear special badges to denote proficiency at various ranges, viz.:—

a. When the range available extends to 300 yards only, a Volunteer who obtains the greatest number of points over 36 in the 3rd class, may wear a rifle embroidered horizontally.

- b. When the range is between 350 and 600 yards, the Volunteer who obtains the greatest number of points over 30 in the second class, may wear a rifle embroidered horizontally with a star immediately above it.
- c. When the range available extends to 900 yards, every Volunteer who obtains 20 points and upwards in the 1st class, may wear a rifle embroidered horizontally with two stars immediately above it.
- d. When the range extends to 900 yards, the Volunteer who obtains the greatest number of points above 20 in the 1st class, may wear a rifle embroidered horizontally with three stars immediately above it.

96. The badge marking efficiency in shooting is to be worn on the left arm, immediately above the cuff of the sleeve; that for a Sergeant Instructor in Musketry, on the right arm, midway between the elbow and the shoulder.

97. The badge should be worked on cloth the color of the facings, and is in no case to be worked in gold.

BOOKS OF INSTRUCTION.

98. The following works should be used in conducting the instruction of Volunteers:—

- Regulations for the Instruction, Formation and Movements of Cavalry;
- Manual of Artillery Exercises;
- A practical Treatise on Field Fortification, in use at the Royal Engineer Establishment at Chatham;
- Field Exercises and Evolutions of Infantry;
- Regulations for conducting the Musketry Instruction of the Army.

CADET CORPS.

99. Cadet Corps are formed of youths between twelve and seventeen years of age, in conjunction with a Volunteer Corps, but they are not entitled to any capitation allowance.

100. Proposals for forming a Cadet Corps are to be made to the Officer commanding the district, through the Commanding Officer of the corps to which it is intended that the Cadet Corps should be united, and the Officer commanding the district will forward the proposal for the consideration of the Government. In such application, the proposed strength of the corps is to be stated.

101. The members of a Cadet Corps are not to be attested for service.

102. The Commissioned Officers of a Cadet Corps receive only honorary commissions.

103. Cadet Corps must wear the same uniform as the corps to which they are united, unless an exception to this rule be specially sanctioned.

104. To members of a Cadet Corps, who, in the opinion of the Officer commanding the district, are of sufficient age to carry on rifle practice, arms will be issued and ammunition supplied in the proportion laid down in clause 81.

105. Cadet Corps are not to fire in military formation unless they have been inspected and pronounced qualified to do so by the Adjutant of the Permanent Staff.

FINANCE.

106. An Adjutant of the Permanent Staff may be appointed Paymaster, and will in such capacity receive and disburse the pay and capitation allowance granted under "The Volunteer Act, 1865," and will be held responsible that the expenditure of the same is strictly confined to the authorized services.

107. Every Adjutant, when appointed Paymaster, will be required to give security for the due performance of his financial duties in two approved bonds for £500 each, his personal bond for £500 in addition will also be required (a policy of a Guarantee Society will be accepted.)

108. Officers and Volunteers (excepting Officers and Non-commissioned Officers of the Permanent Staff) when out on actual military service in the field, or when doing garrison duty, shall receive the following rates of pay:—

Lieut.-Colonel,—23s. per diem, with forage for two horses.

Major,—19s. per diem, with forage for one horse.

Surgeon,—18s. per diem, with forage for one horse.

Captain,—14s. 7d. per diem.

Adjutant,—3s. 6d. in addition to regimental pay, and forage for one horse.

Quartermaster,—12s. 6d.

Assistant-Surgeon,—13s.

Lieutenant,—9s. 6d.

Ensign or Cornet,—8s. 3d.

Staff Sergeants,—5s.

Sergeants,—3s. 6d.

Corporals,—3s.

Trumpeters or Buglers,—2s. 6d.

Privates,—2s. 6d.

NOTE.—With a free ration when in the field, but no other allowances whatsoever, except for Cavalry, who will receive forage in kind, or 3s. per diem in lieu thereof.

109. After the receipt and examination of the nominal roll (*vide* Appendices K. and L.), showing the number of Volunteers in each corps for whom the capitation allowance will be admissible, the Paymaster will receive instructions from the Defence Office authorizing him to draw from the Treasury a sum not exceeding one half of the total sum voted by the Assembly for the service of the corps during the year. Any further issue will only be made on receipt of a certificate signed by the Commanding Officer and Paymaster, showing that the money previously issued has been duly expended.

110. No claim for the capitation allowance will be admitted for any corps whose strength is below the minimum establishment.

111. The capitation allowance may be applied at the discretion of the Commanding Officer, either to past or current expenditure; but the payments are to be made by the Paymaster, and are to be strictly confined to the following heads:—

Uniforms, drill shed or drill ground, band and musical instruments, care and repair of arms, ranges, targets, butts, &c.; magazine or armory, or repairs to same, cost of conveyance of men and arms to or from brigade or battalion drill, field days or reviews and gun or rifle practice, and expenses incidental to target practice.

in such proportions as the Commanding Officer shall certify to the Paymaster are in accordance with the wishes of a majority of the corps.

112. The sums due to the Government for supplies of cloth, clothing, and other stores, and for repair of arms, &c., will take precedence of other claims to be paid out of the capitation allowance; and the Paymaster on being informed of the amount which will be required to credit in his account (on account of such claims) will at once provide for the payment by retaining any public moneys (to the amount required) that may be in his hands; or if he should not be in possession of sufficient funds for the purpose he will report at once to the Defence Office.

113. The Paymaster must transmit to the Defence Office, fourteen days before the expiration of each month, an estimate of the pay and allowances of the Permanent Staff entitled to pay during the ensuing month.

114. The Paymaster will render an account in duplicate every three months to the Defence Office of all sums received and expended by him.

115. This account is to be completed and forwarded to the Defence Office on or before the 15th July and 15th January in each year.

116. The account is to include in the general state, all sums received by the Paymaster during the period of the account, and all miscellaneous credits on account of sums due to the public for supplies of Government stores, &c., not previously paid for by the corps. The Paymaster will charge in his account, under separate headings, all payments made by him, annexing as vouchers, for charges on account of the Government allowances, the approved bills, duly receipted and numbered, together with the requisite receipts for pay and allowances.

117. An Adjutant when also Paymaster may correspond direct with the Defence Office on matters connected with his financial duties.

118. Forms of printed estimates and accounts will be supplied to the Paymaster by the Defence Office.

119. All sums disallowed on the Paymaster's accounts are invariably to be credited in the next account rendered to the Defence Office; and in the event of any sums being subsequently re-allowed, a specific authority will be forwarded to the Paymaster to re-charge them.

120. The Paymaster is to debit or credit in his account the balance due by or to him on the account previously rendered.

121. It is to be understood that an item will not necessarily be admitted as a charge in the accounts because the Paymaster has included it in his estimate, and that no other charges than those authorized by Regulation are to be inserted in the Paymaster's accounts, without the special authority which is in such case to be furnished in original, as the voucher in support of the charge in the account, together with any other documents in the nature of receipts, &c., which may be requisite.

ADJUTANTS.

122. The Adjutant is appointed to give instruction to the Volunteers, and he is required to assist in carrying on the military duties of the corps; but he is not to take any part in its non-military affairs.

123. The Adjutant will keep the muster-rolls of each corps within the district to which he is appointed. (*Vide* Appendix M.)

124. Except for the purpose of instruction, or when on actual service, an Adjutant is not to take command of any force of Volunteers when an officer of the corps to which they belong is present.

125. Every Adjutant is required to keep a diary (*vide* Appendix N.) of the instruction imparted by him to the Volunteers. This diary is to be certified by the Commanding Officers of the several corps, and transmitted to the Defence Office not later than on the 5th of every month through the Officer commanding the district.

126. The Adjutant is also to prepare and furnish all such returns as may from time to time be required by the Government in connection with the Volunteer Force.

127. Any application for leave of absence must be made through the Officer commanding the district. It must state whether proper provision has been made for the performance of the Adjutant's and Paymaster's duties during his proposed absence, and give the name of the officer who is to supply his place.

INSTRUCTORS.

128. The principal duty of a Sergeant Instructor is to attend to the drill and instruction of the corps to which he is posted; but he may also, at the discretion of the Adjutant, be intrusted with the custody of Government arms, ammunition, and other property, or charged with such other military duties as usually devolve on a non-commissioned officer.

129. A Sergeant Instructor is not to be employed in receiving or disbursing the funds of the corps.

CORRESPONDENCE AND RETURNS.

130. All official correspondence from Volunteer Corps, except the correspondence of the Adjutant in his capacity as a public accountant, or as otherwise provided in these Regulations, is to proceed from the Commanding Officer or to pass through him; and in all districts to which a Commanding Officer has been appointed, the Officer commanding a Volunteer Corps must invariably address his official correspondence to the Officer commanding the district.

131. In correspondence with the Defence Office, the following rules are to be observed:—

- Not more than one subject is to be treated in any one letter.
- Every letter is to be addressed to "The Under Secretary, Defence Office, Wellington."
- Every letter is to be written on folio paper; and when any previous correspondence is referred to, the date and Defence Office number of such correspondence are to be specified.
- The postage of letters addressed to the Under Secretary, Defence Office, need not be prepaid.

135. The following Returns are to be rendered:

Nature of Return.	By whom rendered.	To whom rendered.	When due.	Form.
Nominal Roll of Efficient and Non-efficient	Commanding Officers of Corps	Under Secretary, Colonial Defence Department, Wellington	1st September...	Appendix K.
Nominal Roll of Efficient Adjutant's Monthly Return	Paymaster	Ditto	Ditto	Appendix L.
Quarterly Return of Instruction and Armament of Artillery and Naval Volunteer Batteries	Adjutants through their Commanding Officers	Ditto	5th of each month.	Appendix O.
Quarterly Report of Artillery and Naval Practices	Officers commanding Artillery and Naval Corps	Ditto	5th October, 5th January, 5th April, 5th July.	Appendix P.
Annual Return of State of Volunteer Batteries	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto	Appendix Q.
Diary of Adjutant's Duties	Commanding Officers of Corps	Ditto	5th July	Appendix R.
Quarterly Return of Fines and Punishments	Engineer Corps Adjutants, through their Commanding Officers of Corps	Ditto	5th of each month.	Appendix N.
			5th October, 5th January, 5th April, 5th July.	Appendix S.

FORSTER GORING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.